

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY WAY.

Christian county has a way of doing the right thing, at the right time and in the right way. Under a recent decision of the Court of Appeals, warrant is given for the belief that an affirmative majority is all that is needed to carry a bond issue for the building of roads. Under the strictest of constructions, if two-thirds of the votes cast are in the affirmative, the bond issue carries. Just to make certain, three-fourths of the votes cast by Christian county were for a bond issue.

The amount, \$400,000, is sufficient to give the county a complete system of roads.

Having provided the money, Christian county has made sure of its honest and intelligent expenditure. A commission representing every magisterial district has been named by the citizens of those districts with the approval of the Fiscal Court to have charge of the work of construction.

In addition to that precaution, Christian county has obtained the services of a United States engineer in the making of surveys and the general supervision of the roads to be built or improved with the money voted.

If the Christian county plan is followed by every other county that votes bonds, Kentucky will have the best system of roads to be found in any of the forty-eight States and that before another three years have passed.—Louisville Times.

Estimates of the value of stable manure on the farm indicate that in eastern Pennsylvania the manure produced by one adult horse or cow nets the farmer on an average \$15.80 per year, while in southern Michigan the manure of one such animal nets the farmer \$8.22.

All the papers are having something nice to say about the way Christian county put the bond issue over last week. There are other counties in Kentucky, but there is only one like Christian county and there is only one Hopkinsville.

Tom Taggart, Indiana's new Senator, is not without his enemies. A year ago they secured his indictment for alleged election frauds, but the case was thrown out of court and Taggart is now in the United States Senate.

Enrico Visconti, an Italian subject and one of the best known foreign ranchers in Mexico, was murdered by Mexican bandits on his ranch at Encinillas, Chihuahua, last week.

Auditor Greene has ruled that sheriffs are entitled to mileage only one way in taking prisoners to the penitentiary and a test suit will be brought at Frankfort.

Youtsey will do no more harm outside of the penitentiary than the "big fish" who got away. If the law entitles him to a parole, he should have it.

Sixty-five airships attacked the Germans at Zeebrugge Monday morning at one time, each carrying 200 pounds of bombs. All returned.

William J. Dickinson, second vice president of the L. & N. railroad, who began his career in Louisville, died at his New York home.

A Lincoln, Nebraska, politician gave the lie to W. J. Bryan, the other day. He kept the peace under the provocation.

Gen. Pershing evidently believes that the first time he shoots a Mexican he will have to fight both sets of bandits.

Alex Rodgers, who died in Owensboro last week, had many friends who never learned how to spell his name.

Gen. Scott conquered Mexico with 10,000 men. Gen. Funston ought to have about the same number available.

MORE MEN FOR MEXICO

Gen. Pershing Says His Invading Force Is Inadequate.

MUST TAKE PRECAUTION
Line of Communication in Mexico in Need of Strengthening.

San Antonio, Tex., March 22.—Gen. Frederick Funston yesterday asked the war department for more troops to be sent into Mexico in pursuit of Francisco Villa.

The request was made at the suggestion of Gen. John J. Pershing, commander of the expedition, who urged that another regiment be sent to him. In his message to the war department, Gen. Funston asked for what he termed an "adequate force."

TELEPHONE WIRES CUT.

El Paso, Tex., March 22.—Following hard on the news that the Mexican telegraph and telephone wires between Juarez and Casas Grandes had been cut, word came from Columbus last night in a dispatch passed by the censor that both wireless and ground wire communication with Gen. Pershing had failed. The army field wire between Columbus and headquarters of the expeditionary force was severed in twenty-eight places, it was said. The trouble with the wireless occurred shortly before 6 o'clock Tuesday, but its cause is unknown.

TWO AVIATORS LOST.

Columbus, N. M., March 22.—Two lieutenants of the First aero squadron are lost somewhere in the desert foothills of the Sierra Madre, with but three days' rations and two small canteens of water between them and starvation, it was officially made known at military headquarters here last night. Army officers do not credit reports in Columbus that the two lieutenants may have fallen victims of snipers.

Radios to Maj. Sample, commanding here, received from Capt. Foulis at Casas Grandes, commanding the aero corps, recited that Lieut. Willis and Lieut. Gorrell, who left here Sunday on army aeroplanes, had failed to arrive at the advance base and that no reports of the missing men or their biplanes had been received. Instructions were issued to drivers of motor trucks leaving here to watch for traces of the missing men. It is believed also that some of the six aeroplanes which arrived safely at Casas Grandes are being employed in the search.

The eight planes started from here late Sunday for the flight over 110 miles of desert and mountains through the Casas Grandes valley to join the expeditionary force. Neither of the men was accompanied by a mechanic or by an observer, and shortly after the flight began the two planes were detached from the others. Nothing has been heard from either since.

MR. WALPOLE TAKES CHARGE

Management of Huffman's Mill in Hands of New Man.

Ed Walpole, of this city, will assume the management of Huffman's mill, on Little River, six miles south of the city, at once and will move his family to that place this week. Some much needed repairs will be made on the mill property and improvements added. The mill is now owned by Mr. Bellamy and is a valuable plant.

Nearly \$3,000 in prizes will be given in the Jersey cattle exhibit at the next State Fair. Kentucky having taken over the National Cattle Show given up by Chicago.

PROGRAMS OF ATHENAEUM

At The Twelve Open Sessions Held Since 1904.

DATA AS NOW COMPILED

Next Banquet Promises To Eclipse Any Previous Affairs of The Kind.

The Program Committee has selected the following speakers for the 13th annual banquet of The Athenaeum, May 4, the subjects not yet announced: Rev. C. M. Thompson, Judge J. T. Hanbery, Geo. E. Gary, H. W. Linton and T. C. Underwood.

The Athenaeum was organized in 1902, but the first open banquet was in 1904.

The following historical data will prove interesting at this time.

The President who will preside at the coming banquet will be elected at the April meeting. Frank Rives is the vice president and will be elected president. It is the settled policy of the society to elect a new president every year.

The membership is limited to 30. At present there is one vacancy.

ANNUAL PROGRAMS.
MAY 5, 1904.

T. C. Underwood, Toastmaster.
The Queen of Hearts, W. T. Fowler.

Things Worth While, Dr. W. L. Nourse.

Such Stuff as Dreams, Ira L. Smith.

Young America, J. T. Hanbery.
The Reading Habit, J. W. Downer.
Adam and Eve, Chas. M. Meacham.

APRIL 28, 1905.
J. W. Downer, Toastmaster.
Books, Brains and Brotherhood, Dr. Edmund Harrison.

Spots on the Sun, H. Clay Smith.
Airships, Frank Rives.

When a Man's Single, John Stites.
Things Unseen, Geo. E. Gary.
After the Club, T. C. Underwood.

MAY 10, 1906.
W. T. Fowler, Toastmaster.
The Man in the Moon, F. L. Wilkinson.

The Bird of Time, Rev. Geo. C. Abbott.

Kentucky Colonels, Col. Jouett Henry.

Kinks, Barksdale Hamlett.
One and Won, Jno. C. Duffy.

Lot's Wife, Chas. M. Meacham.
MAY 2, 1907.

Chas. M. Meacham, Toastmaster.
Family Affairs, Rev. H. D. Smith.

In Our Town, J. T. Hanbery.
When a Man Marries, T. C. Underwood.

Poles and Persimmons, Ira L. Smith.

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CLEARING UP DOCKET

One Murder Case Tried, One Continued and Another on Trial.

THREATS OF VIOLENCE
Caused Four Negroes to be Transferred to Henderson Jail.

The grand jury brought in another batch of indictments Tuesday and was dismissed until the last day of March, when they will reconvene for a few days.

The court is rapidly disposing of the commonwealth cases.

Valitor Coonse Bryce, a deaf mute, was tried on a charge of breaking into a coal and meat house and acquitted.

Frank Postell, charged with murder, and Dan Harper, charged with chicken stealing, continued.

Dan Crutchfield, concealed deadly weapon, fined \$50 and disfranchised two years.

Jno. Murphy, same charge and same verdict.

Richard Bronaugh, wilful murder, given 10 to 21 years.

Lawrence Whitlock, robbery, given 10 years.

John Wright, malicious cutting, fined \$50 and 6 months in jail.

Si Snoden, wilful trespass, fined \$50 and costs.

Among the indictments returned this week were one for house breaking against Dock Beaumont, col., who was found in the office of the Associated Charities, and one against C. B. Pitzer and Bob Johns, charged with breaking into the postoffice at Carl, Ky. Sam Fuller, arrested at same time, was not indicted.

Some rumors of possible violence to several of the negroes in the county jail were brought to the attention of Judge Hanbery Tuesday with the result that the transfer of the four prisoners to Henderson was ordered and they were taken Tuesday night by Deputies Herbert Johnson and Azro Mullen. They were Ernest Wilson and Bubber Chafin, charged with the murder of Jno. M. Renshaw, held on a mistrial; Lawrence Whitlock, under a ten-year sentence for robbing A. H. Cardin, of Lafayette, near Hargis bridge, and Frank Postell, accused of the murder of J. J. Robinson, of Dixon Spring, Tenn., whose case has been continued till the June term.

The murder case of Jack West, charged with killing a negro named Wilbur, was on trial yesterday.

Secretary of Labor Wilson began his career in Pennsylvania coal mines.

THE SPRING OPENINGS

In Millinery are Proving a Center of Feminine Interest.

WEATHER NOT SO GOOD

But Hundreds Braved the Wind and Dust Clouds to Attend.

The weather clerk was not good to the ladies yesterday and those who attended the spring openings were called upon to brave the worst spell of March weather the whole month had turned out. The wind amounted almost to a gale, sending clouds of dust through the streets and adding to the discomforts of all who appeared outside the house. The sun was out at times, but the weather was very threatening.

J. H. Anderson & Co., Frankel's Busy Store, J. T. Edwards Co., Miss Fannie B. Rogers and Miss Ida Blumensiel all advertised their openings for yesterday and to-day.

At all of these stores things were in gala attire and the elaborate displays of new goods and late styles were very attractive. The ladies were much interested and hundreds of them made the rounds, inspecting the pretty things.

At Anderson's there were pretty decorations and music by an orchestra and the opening was highly satisfactory in every way.

The opening at Frankel's Busy Store attracted an unusually big crowd. A novel feature was the presence of Miss Pauline Weaver, of New York, a model who demonstrated the spring styles and gave exhibitions of all of the modern dances, Hesitation, Maxixe, Tango, Turkey Trot and others. Mr. Seegar assisted as a partner in the dances.

The crowd all day was large but at times overflowed the big rooms on the second floor where the display was made in the millinery and dress departments.

The displays will continue to-day and the spring season will be fairly inaugurated.

Watch the advertising columns for details of the offerings.

ANOTHER STORE ON SEVENTH ST.

Main Street Merchant Will Open Another Grocery Tomorrow.

Mr. R. C. Hopson, who conducts a grocery on South Main, will open another store on West Seventh street, in the building formerly occupied by McCord Bros. The stock is now being placed in the house and the new establishment will be open and ready for business tomorrow. A full line of family groceries will be carried.

MARRIAGE NEAR CROFTON.

A marriage license was issued Monday afternoon to Dock Ratcliff and Miss Charlie Duncan, young people residing near Crofton. The wedding was scheduled for Monday night, with Rev. J. P. Clearinger as officiating minister.

WOMAN'S LIFE SPARED.

Mrs. Ida Bell Warren, the North Carolina husband-killer, sentenced to death, had her sentence commuted to life imprisonment. The sentence of her paramour was also commuted.

VICTIM OF TUBERCULOSIS.

Clarence Davis, of McCracken county, died at the Western State Hospital Monday of tuberculosis. He was 23 years old and was received at the institution about four years ago. The body was shipped to Paducah.

GERMAN LINE DRAWS CLOSER

But the French Hold Foes After Advance With Artillery Fire.

RUSSIANS AGGRESSIVE

Austrians and Italians Also Hard at It on Land and In Air.

In their attempts to flank Verdun on the west, the Germans, having succeeded in working their way through the Malancourt wood and the Avocourt court, have begun a heavy bombardment of the village of Esnes, about eight miles northwest of Verdun, and hill 304, which lies about a mile and a half north of Esnes.

The French, however, are vigorously contesting a further advance eastward, which not alone would bring the German line nearer the fortress, but spreading fan-like north-eastward, would put in jeopardy the French in the region of Le Mort Homme.

So great has been the counter-offensive of the French guns that, after debouching from the woods, the Germans were unable to launch an infantry attack, and presumably are being held hard to their newly-gained lines.

To the north and east of Verdun, the cannonading has been only intermittent. In the Argonne forest, in Lorraine and in upper Alsace the French guns have been active against German positions and marching columns. On the River Somme the Germans entered a British trench, but immediately were driven out.

There has been lively fighting between the Russians and the Germans west of Jacobstadt, along the Dvina river and in the lake region between Dvinsk and Vilna, with the Russians generally on the offensive.

While Berlin reports these attacks as having been repulsed with heavy losses, the admission is made that a German salient near Lake Narocz was withdrawn in order to recover the encircling fire of the Russians.

Near Butzitsch, midway between Dvinsk and Vilna, the Russians have captured advanced German trenches, and just south of Dvinsk, in the region of Novo Alexandrovsk, have repulsed a German counter attack on positions taken at Velkioieselo.

Petrograd says that in the capture of the Austrian bridgehead near the village of Mikhalche, in Galicia, most of its defenders were killed in hand-to-hand fighting.

The Russians have thrown their line several miles nearer Trebizond, on the Black sea coast, after further fighting with the Turks. Ispahan, Persia, is reported to have been taken by the Russians.

Heavy fighting continues between the Austrians and Italians along the greater part of the Austro-Italian line, especially on the front from Rovereto to the Gorizia heights. No important change in positions have taken place, however.

A successful night attack by Austro-Hungarian aviators has been carried out against the port and barracks of Avlona, Albania, according to Tienna.

WOMAN UNDER DEATH SENTENCE.

Mrs. Ida Bell Warren and Sam P. Christy under sentence to be executed March 31 for the murder of Mrs. Warren's husband at Winston-Salem in 1914, have had their sentences commuted to life imprisonment.

QUARTERLY MEETING AT SHILOH.

Second quarterly meeting at Shiloh Methodist church Saturday and Sunday. All day meeting Saturday. All official members are urged to attend, especially trustees of parsonage property, as business of importance will come up.

THOSE THAT HAVE-GET BY A.T. WESTON

